

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Graham P. Allaway, et al.

Serial No. : Not Yet Known (continuation of U.S.
Serial No 08/973,601, filed
March 16, 1998)

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For : METHODS FOR USING RESONANCE ENERGY TRANSFER-
BASED ASSAY OF HIV-1 ENVELOPE GLYCOPROTEIN-
MEDIATED MEMBRANE FUSION, AND KITS FOR
PRACTICING SAME

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Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the subject application as follows:

In the specification:

On page 1, line 6, after the words "This application is a" and before the words "continuation-in-part" please insert the following words: --continuation of United States Serial No. 08/973,601, filed March 16, 1998, which is a national stage application, filed under 35 U.S.C. §371 of PCT/US96/09894, filed June 7, 1996, which is a--.

✓ On page 1, line 7, before the words "Serial No." and after the words "filed June 7" please delete "08/175,515," and insert the following --08/475,515,--.

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 1-6 without prejudice to applicants' right to pursue the subject matter of these claims in a later-filed application and add the following new claims:

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